

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A one-part ~~liquid~~ concentrated color developer replenisher ~~solution composition~~, which comprises a 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine-containing developer, and a ~~sufficient amount of a hydroxylamine antioxidant~~ to extend the shelf-life extending amount of ~~said composition~~ ~~comprising~~ at least N,N-bis(2-sulfoethyl) hydroxylamine or a salt thereof, said ~~composition~~ concentrated solution further characterized by satisfactory developer performance, and a liquid monophasic or liquid multiphasic concentrate.

2. (Currently amended) The one-part ~~liquid~~ concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of claim 1 wherein the hydroxylamine ~~antioxidant~~ is a disodium salt of N,N-bis(2-sulfoethyl)hydroxylamine.

3. (Currently amended) The one-part ~~liquid~~ concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of claim 1 wherein the hydroxylamine ~~antioxidant~~ comprises at least a salt of the N,N-bis(2-sulfoethyl)hydroxylamine in combination with at least one other hydroxylamine antioxidant.

4. (Currently amended) The one-part ~~liquid~~ concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of claim 3, wherein the one other hydroxylamine antioxidant is diethylhydroxylamine or a salt thereof.

5. (Currently amended) A one-part ~~liquid~~ concentrated color developer replenisher ~~solution composition~~, which comprises a 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-phenylenediamine-containing developer, a shelf-life extending amount of a hydroxylamine

antioxidant comprising at least N,N-bis(2-sulfoethyl) hydroxylamine or a salt thereof; a buffer for maintaining the pH of the composition solution in a range from about 10 to about 12, and a photographically acceptable solvent system, said composition solution further characterized by satisfactory developer performance, and a liquid monophasic or liquid multiphase concentrate.

6. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher composition solution of Claim 5 which is a monophasic concentrate.

7. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher composition solution of Claim 5 which is a multiphase concentrate.

8. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher composition solution of Claim 6 wherein the monophasic concentrate comprises a polyhydric alcohol.

9. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher composition solution of Claim 7 wherein the multiphase concentrate comprises an upper caprolactam-containing phase comprising the 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylene-diamine-containing developer and the N,N-bis(2-sulfoethyl) hydroxylamine antioxidant or salt thereof, and a lower aqueous phase comprises the buffer.

10. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher composition solution of Claim 9 wherein the caprolactam-containing multiphase concentrate comprises a third phase in the form of a solid precipitate comprising a salt.

11. **(Currently amended)** The one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of Claim 5 which is a diphasic concentrate comprising a polyhydric alcohol-containing liquid phase and a solid phase comprising a salt.

12. **(Currently amended)** A method for preparing a stabilized one-part liquid concentrated color developer replenisher solution ~~composition~~, which comprises the steps of:

(i) dissolving a 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine-containing developer in an alkaline solution comprising a base, and an antioxidant comprising at least N,N-bis(2-sulfoethyl)hydroxylamine or a salt thereof;

(ii) introducing a photographically compatible organic solvent, and

(iii) introducing a buffering agent to maintain the pH of the solution in a range from about 10 to about 12, said ~~composition~~ solution further characterized by satisfactory developer performance.

13. **(Original)** The method of Claim 12 wherein the photographically compatible organic solvent is a polyhydric alcohol, and the one-part liquid concentrated developer replenisher composition is a monophasic concentrate, said method including the step of removing a salt precipitate.

14. **(Original)** The method of Claim 12 wherein the photographically compatible organic solvent is a polyhydric alcohol, and the developer concentrate is a diphasic system comprising a liquid phase and a solid phase comprising a salt.

15. **(Original)** The method of Claim 12 wherein the photographically compatible organic solvent is a caprolactam which forms a diphasic

system comprising an upper caprolactam-containing solvent and a lower aqueous phase, said method including the step of removing a salt.

16. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of Claim 1 wherein the developer is a member selected from the group consisting of 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine free base, a salt of 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine and mixtures thereof.

17. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of Claim 1 wherein the composition is a monophasic concentrate.

18. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of Claim 1 wherein the ~~composition~~ solution is a multiphasic concentrate.

19. (Currently amended) The one-part liquid concentrate color developer replenisher ~~composition~~ solution of Claim 5 wherein the developer is a member selected from the group consisting of 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine free base, a salt of 4(N-ethyl-N-2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine and mixtures thereof.